

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A self service data interface includes communications
logic providing communications with a personal data device and
a data infrastructure, such as the computer resources in a
department or building. A processor executes a data interface
management process that communicates with the data
10 infrastructure to obtain information about available data
services, where the information includes information about how
the available data services are accessed. The data interface
management process also communicates with the personal data
device to provide the information about the available data
services to the user. The information is used by the personal
data device to invoke the services directly via the self
service data interface. The self service interface can have
multiple communications links to the personal data device, such
as a wire link and a wireless link. The information from the
self service data interface can be provided as a hypertext page
that is accessed and handled by a browser within the personal
data device.

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